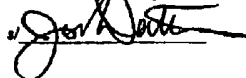


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10/14/04SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated Sept.21, 2004, Applicant submits the
attached Supplemental Amendment and Response.

REMARKS

In the Advisory Action, the Examiner refused to enter the proposed amendments, and
in this supplemental response, Applicant believes to have corrected the issues presented by
the Examiner by amending the claims, thereby presenting the claims in form for allowance or
better form for appeal. Applicant therefore requests entry of this supplemental amendment.
Applicant thanks the Examiner for careful consideration of the previously proposed
amendment.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner indicated that claims 3-6, 10-12 and 14 were allowable if rewritten to
independent form. Applicant has amended the independent claims as suggested by the
Examiner and therefore believes these claims are now allowable.